GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

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ALLOCATION OF COAL BLOCKS UNDER THE SCRUTINY OF STEERING COMMITTEE
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has allocated the coal blocks,which were under the scrutiny of the Steering Committee to various Steel companies;and

(b) if so,the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL(SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA)

(a) & (b): There is no Steering Committee for scrutiny of coal blocks allocation.However,there is an Inter-Ministerial and Inter-Governmental Committee called the Screening Committee,which screens the applications received for allocation of captive coal blocks and makes its recommendations for allocation of coal blocks to eligible companies. Block allocation is a continuous process and meetings of Screening Committee are held from time to time as and when coal blocks are offered for allotment.The last meeting (36th Meeting) of the Screening Committee was held on 3rd July,2008. On the recommendations of the 36th meeting of the Screening Committee, Government have taken a decision with regard to allotment of blocks.